



June 2007

Stuttgart Community Spouses' Club

SCSC News

Scholarship Luncheon

The Stuttgart Community Spouses' Club (SCSC) distributed \$32,500 in Scholarships on May 15. The recipients are as followed: Valerie Dorrian, Szilvia Nickell, Bradley Bergfeld, Michael Brady, Matthew Gorry, Aubrey Hoffmeier, Natalie Lampert, Kylie Marchant, Tamara Opplinger, Michael Sexton, Rachel Smith and Andrew Tribble. Jeanne G., SCSC Scholarship Committee Chairperson states "the committee

contributed many hours of hard work and dedication to the award process this year. We even developed a new category for continuing students which we look forward to awarding next year." SCSC would like to extend its gratitude to Jeanne and the commit-

tee which consisted of Karen C. (Scholarship Advisor), Sonja J. (2nd VP), Kris B. (Welfare Treasurer), Julia Eckart, Ginny Dyess and Sally Ann Jaeger. Scholarship applications will be available January 2008.



SCSC Thrift Shop Grand Opening

The New Stuttgart Community Spouses' Club Thrift Shop celebrated its Grand Opening on Monday, May 14. USAG representative, Carl Pritchard, along with Lucinda C., SCSC Thrift Shop Manager, were on hand to cut the ribbon.



*Left: Julie Lovett and Lucinda Carmichael cut the cake.
Below: Carl Pritchard and Lucinda officially open the SCSC Thrift Shop.*

The new Thrift Shop is now a combined, bigger and better store which joins together the former Patch and Panzer Consignment and Thrift Shops. The SCSC Thrift Shop is located on Patch at the former Main PX location. The hours are Monday & Wednesday 10:00 until 14:00,

Tuesday & Thursday 11:00 until 16:00 and every second Saturday of the month from 10:00 until 1400.

The SCSC Thrift Shop's purpose it to provide community authorized patrons the on-post service of a second-hand or used personal property disposal and acquisition facility. Since 2004, the Thrift Shop has contributed over \$130,500 to the SCSC Welfare fund which in turn, donates the money back into our military community. Many thanks to Col. Juergens and the USAG staff as well as the countless SCSC Volunteers who made this day possible and continue to help ensure the SCSC Thrift Shop's success.



Inside this issue:

Greetings	2
Welfare Committee Update	3
Salutations	3
Other News & Birthdays	4
Where in the World	5

Greetings by: Christina S., 2007/2008 President

Dear Fellow Members,
Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your president for 2007-2008! I am looking forward to serving alongside our wonderful members as we continue the Club's proud tradition of providing a welcoming, fun social venue for Stuttgart spouses while giving back to the military community. We are a world-class spouses' club thanks to you, our members.

The **May Scholarship Luncheon** provided members a moving occasion to reflect on one of the key ways that our club impacts the community. Nine high school seniors and two military spouses were presented with SCSC college scholarships totaling over \$32,000. Following toe-tapping jazz entertainment by the talented Patch High School Harmony Express, each recipient

all kinds of other smart shoppers in between. Business in the brightly lit new space is going gangbusters, and net profits will continue to go straight back to the community via SCSC distributions.



welcome you again in 2007-2008! Summer is here, and this is the time of year that SCSC takes a break from our monthly events. We say good-bye to our members who are PCS-ing to new adventures (we'll miss you!), and look forward to welcoming new members who may be just arriving to our picturesque corner of Europe or who just haven't discovered our club yet. Our first event of the 2007-2008 year will be in September... please join us then and bring your friends, old and new, so that we may welcome you all to a great upcoming year full of fun events, friendship and community involvement!



shared a favorite school memory and their dreams for the future. There was no escaping the inspiration in the air... it was truly contagious! Kudos to Jeanne G. and her committed team for working throughout the year to make the SCSC scholarship program a success, and to Andrea G. and her assistants for making the luncheon sparkle with elegance.

On 14 May, the **SCSC Thrift Shop** celebrated its **Grand Opening** at the new location in the former BX/PX at Patch Barracks. The new shop was born from the combination of two popular shops: the Panzer Consignment & Thrift Shop and the Patch Thrift Shop. Both of these former shops served the Stuttgart community for many years, providing an invaluable benefit to newly PCS'd families, consigners and donors, parents with children, fashion hounds, book lovers and

Hats off to our volunteers and staff who helped establish the beautiful new store, and to all of our customers who support the SCSC Thrift Shop mission.



The incoming SCSC Board wishes to extend an especially **big thank you** to the dedicated **2006-2007 SCSC Board, its committees and the club's numerous individual volunteers**. Each SCSC volunteer gave the gift of her skills, talent and time to help SCSC continue to achieve the high standard of excellence and community impact we are known for. Thank you, 2006-2007 volunteers, for "paying it forward" for the benefit of all club members and the community! We also wish to thank **all of our 2006-2007 SCSC members**: thank you for your membership support and participation in the Club's events – we hope to



Welfare Committee Update by: Karen T., Chairperson

Many thanks to the dedicated members of this year's Welfare Committee for their tireless efforts to support our community: Advisor Georgeann McRaven, Kris Butz, Lynn Curry, Francie Hunt, Sonja Jackson, Susan Kellett-Forsyth, Julie Lovett, Laurie Menzel, Jan Metz and Ann Welton.

The Welfare Committee held its final meeting of the year in April. Donations totaling \$23,341.00 were approved by the SCSC Board and general membership in May, bringing total donations this fiscal year to \$121,152.83. May's donations are:

1. Landstuhl Fisher House, \$8,000.00 to be used for their greatest needs.
2. Böblingen Elementary and Middle School PTA, \$2,591.00 to purchase student agendas and planners and Discovery Education United Streaming Software.
3. Stuttgart Stallions Women's Community Softball Team, \$2,550.00 to offset tournament fees and billeting/hotel costs for players.
4. Boy Scout Troop 154, \$2,000.00 to purchase camping equipment and supplies.
5. Patch Library, \$2,000.00 to expand and update the children's and juveniles' collections of books and videos.
6. USO Stuttgart, \$1,000.00 to repair and keep their tour vehicles safe and reliable for tours.
7. Patch High School Lady Panthers Softball Team, \$1,000.00 to offset hotel costs for players at a tournament at Ramstein in May 2007.
8. Stuttgart American Little League, \$900.00 to purchase Stuttgart Little League All Star Baseball and Softball hats.
9. Stuttgart Girl Scouts of the USA, \$600.00 to offset the costs of renting equipment for the annual Girl Scout Summer Camp in August 2007.
10. MWR Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS), \$500.00 to support a BOSS-sponsored trip to Greece for junior enlisted members.
11. Patch High School Senior Class Baccalaureate Program, \$500.00 to offset costs associated with the Baccalaureate Service for the graduating High School class.
12. Time Travelers Club, \$500.00 to purchase supplies in preparation for the 2007-2008 Time Travelers program beginning in September 2007.
13. Air Force Enlisted Village, Florida, \$500.00 to be used for their greatest needs.
14. The Army Distaff Foundation/Knollwood, Washington DC, \$500.00 to be used for their greatest needs.
15. Olympic Development Program Europe – Stuttgart District, \$200.00 to establish an organizational website.



Salutations by: Julie L., 2006-2007 President

Congratulations to the SCSC 2006-2007 Board! You have completed an outstanding year! You have logged over 10,000 hours to support the endeavors of the Stuttgart Community Spouses' Club. Thank you for your tireless efforts! It has been my honor to get to know each of you. We have faced many challenges and celebrated numerous successes. I am very appreciative for the contributions each of you has made.

I want to thank our membership and the community for their continued support. The SCSC Thrift Shop has raised approximately \$34,000.00 this year. These funds combined with the \$131,000.00 raised from the Bazaar will be contributed to the Welfare Account for distribution in 2007-2008. This is 'Community' in the truest sense; we work together, we play together, and we support one another.

I wish each of you departing the area 'fair winds and following seas'. I hope those remaining in the area will join me and continue to support the 2007-2008 SCSC Board as they lead the club in the coming year. May all of your journeys bring you and yours continued blessings.

Sincerely,

Julie L.

Other News

Membership Update

The SCSC rounds out the year with 190 members. Be on the lookout for the annual membership campaign to kick off in September 2007

Michelle W.
Membership Chair

Mahjongg

A Chinese Tile Game...

Would you like to learn more about a game played since 1964 among the spouses of all services?

SCSC has a group members playing each Monday from 9.00 am to 12.00 pm at the Swabian Inn on Patch Barracks. Experienced or beginner, everyone is welcome. All you have to do is show up on a Monday morning or call Gabi at 07157-669552 if you want to know more about the game. We play all year round. The game is a lot of fun and is a great place to make friends too.

A Very Special Thanks!

I would like to thank all the members that were able to attend Crystal Bingo. Everyone was extremely kind and generous to Susan and I, as well as to the new Management of the

Swabian. I extend my sincerest appreciation to Julie L., Andrea, Jane, Susan and Kim for helping make the room look so beautiful. The tasty salads that we enjoyed at dinner were lovingly created by Sonja M. Thank you to Toni and the other special ladies who stayed after the games were over, and helped with clean up. It meant so much to me. A special thanks to Deb N. Andrea G. Julie L., and Julie G. for providing the wonderful pictures for the slide show that ran during dinner. The PATCH High School PTA generously lent us their bingo machine for the evening. Last, but certainly not least, I would like to Thank Susan Kellett-Forsyth for her talents as Bingo Caller. I couldn't have asked for a better Co-host. She is immensely talented, and worked very hard to make the night perfect for me, as well as those attending. Congratulations to all the winners of the evening, especially Andrea G., who took home the Grand prize of the night. It was my pleasure to host the evening of thanks for our club members, because I know how hard you have all worked this year.

Melissa H.
Special Events Chair



Happy Birthday!

June Birthdays

Michelle Mcpherson 6/3
Allison Stanley 6/9
Susan Kellett-Forsyth 6/9
Anna McKenzie 6/10
Tiffany Taylor 6/20
Katrina Molenda 6/20
L. Robin Newcomb 6/23
Deanita Verbeck 6/24
Teresa Lipson 6/25
Karen Catto 6/28
Annie Cass 6/28
Brandy Anderson 6/30

July Birthdays

Margaret Reichardt 7/3
Karen Oleksa 7/5
Kathleen Ahearn 7/7
Andrea Abrahamson 7/7
Liza Frasca 7/9
Theresa Twiford 7/14
Therese Sarac 7/15
Hope Call 7/16
Faith Peterson 7/16
Becky Gehl 7/19
ReNell Gradeck 7/22
Beverly Rainey 7/23
Holly Benavidez 7/24
Annette Roberts 7/27
Susan Remkes 7/28

August Birthdays

Gloria E Inlow 8/1
Gayla Miller 8/6
Mary-Claire Rinoski 8/8
Melinda Mills 8/9
Joanna Easton 8/11
Leticia Sever 8/12
Debra Novotny 8/14
Tina Ewing 8/15
Oy Sullivan 8/15
Wanda Arnold 8/19
Linda Repass 8/19
Robin Heesacker 8/20
Susan Schall 8/23
Angie Brockman 8/23
Julie Gifford 8/25
Stacey Lindsey 8/27
Deborah Wasson 8/27
Deborah Rupp 8/31



CMR 480 Box 1319
APO AE 09128-1319

***Make the connection...
...where do you fit in?***

For newsletter suggestions
and/or recommendations,
please email:
cgiff1234@aol.com

SCSC's mission is to provide information and support to Americans living in the Stuttgart area through social venues and to give financial contributions back to our military community.

Our membership is open to spouses and members of the U.S. Armed Forces, civilians of the U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Forces contract employees, employees of other organizations granted status under the NATO Status of Forces Agreement and other civilians holding a valid U.S. passport and residing in the Stuttgart community.

We're on the Web:

<http://www.stuttgart.army.mil/sites/services/spousesclub.asp>

2006/2007 Where in the World Champion



Congratulations to Kari Bergfeld the 2006/2007 Where in the World Champion and 1st Runner-up Karen Taylor! Honorable Mentions go out to: Charlotte Jackson, Annie Sires, Toni Slater and Kim Ellis. Last month's winners who guessed Rome, Italy are Annie S., Kim E. and Jenny B. and Lois B.

